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Dear Valois Shea, EPA:

We are writing this comment letter as a common family who resides together in Hot Springs, SD. We are not individuals with heavy scientific backgrounds, just concerned citizens. We are asking the EPA to deny any and all permits related to Powertech/Azarga activities for uranium recovery and hazardous waste dumping. No superfund sites should be allowed at any time.

We are familiar with and have read and researched the negative effects of fracking, ISL, UIC injection wells etc. and the negative effects of uranium on the environment, wildlife and humans. The negative effects have been well documented with research and are banned in many places throughout the world. We should never allow a foreign country, with a bad environmental record, that obviously has no concern for the environment, to ever be given the opportunity to contaminate our land for money and then leave it not restored. This has been a previously noted behavior and the environment never fully able to be restored to it's original state.

We have spoken to people that reside in and around our area who have made comments about their relatives using certain lands for sacred and spiritual activities, burials etc. that have not been respected and are visibly contaminated by uranium activities. Blatant disrespect of an indigenous culture and historical abuse! No one should be allowed to do this to any culture!

We drink the water here; have friends with wells; swim, play and heal in the water; fish; hunt; boating activities; grow gardens; raise animals; wash; breath the air; raise children; hike; travel; live; own land; businesses; and pray here with many common people just like us. We don't want to live in a place that could become a toxic waste area, as would anyone else. This is one of the few pristine water areas in the Americas! Powertech should establish their business in their country and not on American soil. No company should be allowed to recover uranium or set up a Superfund site anywhere in the US. Powertech/Azarga permits should be denied, please think about the children's future. A problem could effect millions of people.

Please protect our environment, people, wildlife, archeological sites, tourism and way of life in South Dakota by supporting the denial of Powertech/Azarga permits. Please take no chances.

Thank you for your time and consideration ,
Sincerely,

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